

STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.ABORIGINAL POPULATION.

The Government Statist obtains particulars annually of the known aboriginal population through the agency of Police Officers and also reports from Stations and Farms. An analysis of these indicates an aboriginal population about 30th June, 1930 of 3,995.

CLASSIFICATION OF RECORDED ABORIGINALS AS IN JUNE, 1930.

	Full-bloods		Half Castes		Total		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	Total
Nomadic	886	680	231	253	1,117	933	2,050
In regular employment	324	159	221	76	545	235	780
In supervised camps	49	52	290	305	344	352	696
Other	125	151	101	92	221	248	469
Grand Total	1,384	1,042	843	726	2,227	1,768	3,995
Adults	1,095	779	533	427	1,628	1,206	2,834
Children	289	263	310	299	599	562	1,161
TOTAL	1,384	1,042	843	726	2,227	1,768	3,995

The 3,995 recorded aboriginals are divided into two main classes, - those living in the wild estate (Nomadic), 2,050 (51%) and those living in Camps and on Stations and Farms, 1,945 (49%). Of the latter, 780 were in regular employment and 696 were in supervised camps but not in regular employment, and 469 were described as dependents of those employed outside of supervised camps or not working.

FULL-BLOODS, - numbered 2,426 or (61%) of the total, divided thus - Adults 1,874, Children 552.

HALF CASTES, (and lesser castes) numbered 1,569 (39%), adults 960, children 609.

IN SUPERVISED CAMPS. (Mission Stations). The number 696 shown under this heading excludes 140 returned as regularly employed. Thus in the three Mission Stations, Pt. Pierce, Koonibba and Pt. McLeay there were 836 aboriginals.

EMPLOYED. Of the grand total 3,995, - 780 (20%) were returned as regularly employed. Excluding the 140 employed in Mission camps, there would be 640 employed chiefly on stations and farms.

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